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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1: (cancelled).

Claim 2 (currently amended): ~~The A~~ digital camera of claim 1, comprising:

an image pickup portion which converts light from an object to be photographed, into image data;

a display portion capable of displaying a plurality of set information items thereon;

a plurality of input devices respectively disposed adjacent to the set information items

displayed on the display portion;

a changing device which changes at least one of the set information items in accordance with input to at least one of the input devices which is disposed adjacent to the at least one of the set information items;

a control portion which controls the digital camera in accordance with at least one of the set information items; and


a shutter button capable of inputting an instruction to start photographing to the control portion, wherein the input devices include:

a plurality of first input devices disposed along a periphery of the display portion in a first direction which is in parallel with an axial line of the shutter button; and

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a plurality of second input devices disposed in a second direction perpendicular to the first direction.

Claim 3 (original): The digital camera of claim 2, wherein the first input devices are disposed along a first side surface of the display portion adjacent to the shutter button, and the second input devices are disposed along a second side surface of the display portion opposite to a third side surface of the display portion adjacent to the shutter button, across the display portion.

 Claim 4 (original): The digital camera of claim 3, wherein the set information items include at least one kind of set information of shutter speed, aperture, white balance, and flash.

Claim 5 (original): The digital camera of claim 3, further comprising a circularly changing device which circularly changes a plurality of contents of the set information items whenever input to the input devices is performed.

Claim 6 (original): The digital camera of claim 3, wherein the display portion is capable of displaying an image in accordance with the image data.

Claim 7 (currently amended): A digital camera, comprising:
an image pickup portion which converts light from an object to be photographed, into image data;

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a display portion capable of displaying at least ^{one} of setting screens including a plurality of set information items indicative of picture taking settings;

a displaying device which displays one type of a plurality of types of the setting screens on the display portion;

a plurality of input devices;

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a control portion which controls the digital camera in accordance with at least one of the set information items; and

a shutter button capable of inputting an instruction to start photographing to the control portion.

Claim 8 (original): The digital camera of claim 7, wherein the input devices include a plurality of first input devices disposed along a periphery of the display portion in a first direction which is in parallel with an axial line of the shutter button; and

a plurality of second input devices disposed in a second direction perpendicular to the first direction.

Claim 9 (original): The digital camera of claim 8, wherein the first input devices are disposed along a first side surface of the display portion adjacent to the shutter button, and the

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second input devices are disposed along a second side surface of the display portion opposite to a third side surface of the display portion adjacent to the shutter button, across the display portion.

Claim 10 (original): The digital camera of claim 9, wherein the input devices are disposed adjacent to a plurality of set information items displayed on the display portion, respectively.

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Claim 11 (original): The digital camera of claim 10, wherein the set information items include at least one kind of set information of shutter speed, aperture, white balance, and flash.

Claim 12 (original): The digital camera of claim 10, further comprising a circularly changing device which circularly changes a plurality of contents of the set information items whenever input to the input devices is performed.

Claim 13 (original): The digital camera of claim 10, wherein the display portion is capable of displaying an image in accordance with the image data.

Claim 14 (original): A digital camera, comprising:
an image pickup portion which converts light from an object to be photographed, into image data;
a display portion capable of displaying a plurality of set information items;

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a plurality of input devices;

a circularly displaying device which circularly displays a plurality of alternatives whenever input to at least one of the input devices is performed when the number of the alternatives of the set information items is not larger than a predetermined number;

a displaying device which displays a selection screen on the display portion when input to at least one of the input devices has been performed in case where the number of the alternatives of the set information items is larger than a predetermined number;

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a control portion which controls the digital camera in accordance with at least one of the set information items; and

a shutter button capable of inputting an instruction to start photographing to the control portion.

Claim 15 (original): The digital camera of claim 14, wherein the input devices include:

a plurality of first input devices disposed along a periphery of the display portion in a first direction which is in parallel with an axial line of the shutter button; and

a plurality of second input devices disposed in a second direction perpendicular to the first direction.

Claim 16 (original): The digital camera of claim 15, wherein the first input devices are disposed along a first side surface of the display portion adjacent to the shutter button, and the

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second input devices are disposed along a second side surface of the display portion opposite to a third side surface of the display portion adjacent to the shutter button, across the display portion.

Claim 17 (original): The digital camera of claim 16, wherein the input devices are disposed adjacent to a plurality of set information items displayed on the display portion, respectively.

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Claim 18 (original): The digital camera of claim 17, wherein the set information items include at least one kind of set information of shutter speed, aperture, white balance, and flash.

Claim 19 (original): The digital camera of claim 17, wherein the display portion is capable of displaying an image in accordance with the image data.

Claim 20 (original): The digital camera of claim 17, wherein the selection screen displays all of the alternatives of the set information items.
